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DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

MOSUNMOLA A. AKINLABI R.N. License # NR 14788700

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a registered professional nurse in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.
- 2. On or about January 29, 2014, a letter was sent to respondent on behalf of the Board, asking, among other things, for documentation of nursing continuing education completed in the last three years, in the form of certificates of completion.
- 3. Respondent replied to the November 7, 2014 communication, forwarding one contact hour of timely completed continuing education on organ and tissue donation, and an additional five contact hours of nursing continuing education

completed during the 2012-2014 licensing cycle. The remaining documentation provided was completed during the 2010-2012 licensing cycle.

- 4. <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:37-5.3 requires Board licensees to complete thirty (30) contact hours of required continuing education and one hour on continuing education related to organ and tissue donation in satisfaction of the June 1, 2012-May 31, 2014 licensing cycle obligation.
- 5. Respondent indicated on her 2014 renewal application that she would have completed all required continuing education for the 2012-2014 renewal period by May 31, 2014.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Respondent's failure to demonstrate timely completion of nursing continuing education requirements for the 2012-2014 licensing cycle constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, subjecting respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and (h).
- 2. Respondent's indication on her 2014 renewal application that she would complete all required continuing education for the preceding renewal period by May 31, 2014, constitutes misrepresentation in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on February 12, 2015, provisionally suspending respondent's nursing license, and imposing a reprimand and a \$250 civil penalty. A copy of the Order was served upon the respondent by certified and regular mail at her address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of

Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

The record reflects that the certified mailing of the Provisional Order was signed for. The regular mailing was not returned. No response has been received to date. The Board determined that service had been effected, as the mailings were sent to respondent's address of record with the Board. The Board further determined that as no discrepancies had been raised with respect to the findings and conclusions of the Provisional Order, additional proceedings were not necessary, and the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 4th day of May, 2015, ORDERED that:

- 1. Respondent's nursing license is hereby suspended until she can demonstrate, by means of providing certificates of completion, that she has satisfied the requirement of 30 contact hours of nursing continuing education to be attributed to the 2012-2014 licensing cycle.
- A reprimand is hereby imposed for respondent's violation of <u>N.J.S.A.</u>
 45:1-21(b).
- 3. A \$250.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.A.C.

 13:37-5.3. Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, which shall be due within 21 days following the filing of a Final Order of Discipline in this matter. Payment shall be sent to the attention

of George Hebert, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ 07101.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD Board President